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SUBJECT: VISIT OF FATHER HESBURGH TO MAURITIUS

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1. RESERVATION AT TROU AUX BICHES HOTEL AND CAR RENTAL CONFIRMED. AMBASSADOR INVITES FATHER HESBURGH TO STAY AT RESIDENCE IN VACOAS (ON CENTRAL PLATEAU) PART OR ALL OF HIS TIME HERE, BUT APPRECIATES HE MAY PREFER HOTEL AT SEASIDE. AMBASSADOR AND MRS. KEELEY WOULD LIKE TO HOST SMALL DINNER FOR FATHER HESBURGH AT WHICH HE COULD MEET INFORMALLY WITH MAURITIANS IN FIELDS OF EDUCATION, RELIGION AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER. IF FATHER HESBURGH HAS PREFERENCE AS TO DATE, PLEASE ADVISE.

2. MR. R. BHEENICK, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE ECONOMIC PLANNING UNIT OF THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, IS THE PRIMARY FOCAL POINT FOR MAURITIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE UNCSTD. WHEN INFORMED OF FATHER HESBURGH'S VISIT, BHEENICK WAS DELIGHTED AND IS PROCEEDING TO ORGANIZE A MEETING WITH THE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITTEE OF ECONOMISTS AND SCIENTISTS WHO ARE PREPARING THE MAURITIAN POSITION FOR THE UNCSTD.

3. DR. S. JUGESSUR, HEAD OF THE DIVISION OF PHYSICS AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS, MET FATHER HESBURGH IN THE U.S. LAST NOVEMBER WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE MULTI-REGIONAL
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PROJECT ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT. DR. JUGESSUR ALSO WISHES TO INVITE FATHER HESBURGH TO VISIT THE UNIVERSITY AND DELIVER A TALK TO HIS STAFF AND OTHER INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER THIS WOULD BE FEASIBLE.

4. PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM LIKES TO RECEIVE ALL DISTINGUISHED

VISITORS TO MAURITIUS AND WE SHALL THEREFORE SCHEDULE COURTESY
CALL IF NO OBJECTION.
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